

**MINUTES**  
**HAMILTON COUNTY SOLID WASTE BOARD**  
**January 26, 2015**  
**Commissioners' Courtroom**  
**One Hamilton County Square**  
**Noblesville, Indiana**

**Present:**

County Councilor Jim Belden, President  
City of Carmel Sue Maki, Vice President  
County Commissioner Steve Dillinger  
County Commissioner Christine Altman  
County Commissioner Mark Heirbrandt  
Noblesville Mayor John Ditslear

**Called to Order**

Belden called the meeting to order declaring a quorum present.

**Election of Officers**

**President**

Dillinger moved to reelect Belden as President. Heirbrandt seconded. Motion carried unanimously. (6-0)

**Vice President**

Ditslear moved to reelect Maki for Vice President. Dillinger seconded. Motion carried unanimously. (6-0)

**Approval of Minutes**

Heirbrandt moved to approve the minutes of November 24, 2014. Maki seconded. Motion carried. (6-0)

**Public Comments**

None

**Unfinished Business**

None

**Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Center Update**

300,000

Belden shared some years ago we were shipping out approximately 300 pounds and as of today, we are shipping out over 1 million pounds. We are operating with tremendous efficiency and he thanked Jeff Rushforth.

Rushforth provided the Board with HHW reports for November and December. The December report contains the year-end numbers including the compactors as well as batteries that are done separately. In looking at the electronic totals for the year, the electronic company had difficulty keeping up from fall to the end of the year which is why Rushforth estimated the number based off of the previous items sent. There are currently numerous electronics sitting at the center, so Rushforth brought an estimated value to the Board. Rushforth said he could come back with a final total for the year if the Board so desires.

In looking at the numbers last year, we talked about being close to shipping a million pounds. 4-5 years

300,000-400,000

ago we were at 300 pounds and now we are up over 1,100,000 pounds, but again, the electronics are estimated and likely to take a couple months for them to get caught up. Ditslear stated the electronics jumped about 30%. Rushforth said that eventually those numbers will decrease as the bigger electronics start weaning out. Hospitals, for example, are going to tablets and not utilizing the big PCs. Eventually those numbers tonnage wise will start decreasing while the other numbers continue to increase. Rushforth said they are already seeing that the newer flat screen TVs are not holding out and are starting to come in.

## **New Business**

### **Solid Waste Advisory Committee Appointments**

Every year, the Board either reappoints or verifies the fact that we have four appointees for the Advisory Committee which is mandated by the State. There are some Solid Waste Districts that have this committee which meets once a year to discuss problems with the budget. We are operating at about \$1 million and have maintained that which is another tribute to our leader. Three of our four appointees, Kathy Richardson, Jim Smith, and Paul Utterback, have verified that they will serve again in 2015. Confirmation is still needed from Brian Baker. Ditslear moved that we reappoint the three that are eligible and have agreed. Dillinger seconded. Motion carried unanimously. (6-0)

### **AUL Matching**

AUL matching refers to deferred compensation which Solid Waste is eligible to participate. Dillinger moved to approve AUL matching for Solid Waste. Heirbrandt seconded. Motion carried unanimously. (6-0) Dillinger explained that the County started a match on our deferred compensation plan this year with County employees which is what Belden is referring to.

There was an internal error with the AUL matching and a motion is needed to approve that this can be retroactive paid to the first of the year. Maki moved to approve retroactive contributions to the first of the year. Ditslear seconded. Motion carried unanimously. (6-0)

### **Vendor Claims**

Dillinger moved to approve vendor claims. Maki seconded. Motion carried unanimously. (6-0)

### **Payroll Claims**

Ditslear moved to approve payroll claims. Dillinger seconded. Motion carried unanimously. (6-0)

In conclusion, Rushforth shared that our Solid Waste Management District belongs to the Indiana Household Hazardous Waste Task Force and has for years now. The HHW Center will be hosting 25-30 other counties that will come and tour the facility on April 1, 2015. It is an honor to host this meeting and show everyone the numbers that Rushforth presents at our monthly meetings. There are a lot of counties that are interested in the way we run the facility and this will be an opportunity to show them. Belden requested that Rushforth provide details of that meeting to the Board in March as he will try to attend.

Ditslear moved to adjourn. Dillinger seconded. Motion carried unanimously. (6-0)

## **Others Present**

Jeff Rushforth, HHW Director

Kim Rauch, Administrative Assistant to Auditor